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Meeting Minutes 05/15/2006

ARLINGTON FINANCE COMMITTEE
 MINUTES OF MEETING
 7:30 PM TOWN HALL HEARING ROOM
 5/15/06

ATTENDEES:

McGaffigan*	Fey*	Dunn*	O'Neill*	Mahoney*
DeCoursey*	Connors	Simmons*	Bayer*	
Tosti*	Foskett*	Deyst	Ronan*	
Ferrara*	Franclemont*	Jones*	Olsen	
DuBois*	Howard*	Fanning*	Carman*	Kneeland*

Indicates present

VISITOR: Deputy Town Manager Nancy Galkowski

MINUTES of 5/10/06 & 5/8/06 meetings were accepted as printed. Unanimous.

ART 38 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING: Galkowski, using the handout prepared for Town Meeting, announced that the bargaining leadership of 2 unions, Local 680 and Professional Librarians, had settled with the Town for a 1 yr contract which includes a 2% salary increase and increases in health insurance copays. She explained several other smaller fringe benefit improvements. In response to questions, she stated that this settlement was in line with the 5 yr budget plan. The union membership has not yet approved these agreements.

VOTED to appropriate \$159,600 subject to approval by the union membership. 16-1-1. The collective bargaining reserve in Art 39 will be reduced accordingly.

FY06 BUDGETS: Several departments are close to being over budget. The legislature is considering a bill that would allow the Manager to transfer funds between budgets in May and June. Galkowski is preparing a budget status report. Some action may be necessary on 6/5.

COMMITTEE: Mary Ronan was welcomed back. Al Tosti received a rendition of Happy Birthday together w/ a birthday cake shared by all. Wrapup dinner on June 5 at 6:45 probably at Scutra.

RESERVE FUND BALANCE: \$77870.66

Peter B Howard Secretary 5/16/06 Revised 5/17/06

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